

Scouting About Tzaneen



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From Kwara Louise & Akela Zabe

Happy New Year to everyone, we trust you have a wonderful, blessed happy year ahead. To start us off we want to tell you about your success last year.

The 2010 Matrics, despite having to contend with FIFA holidays and the Public Service strike, have made us proud. To all of you well done, what a wonderful performance. We are all excited for your future and where God is going to take you.

If we have missed your name please ring Akela Zabe 0722533245 so we can include your name in the next issue.

HONOUR ROLE Bachelor entry to University and their area of study

- Vonani Mongwe— Geology
- Bongani Makhubele- Pharmacy
- Adroit Mkhari - Medicine
- Goodluck Muhuvuza
- Nozizwe Mabuza
- Martha Rakgwale - Psychology
- Promise
- Rivoningo Ngobeni - Chemical Engineer
- Rivoningo Muhlarhi - Medicine
- Clearmont Mafenya
- Malangu Ngobeni
- Hendrick

Diploma entry to University

- Harry Malatji - Geology

Matriculated

- Amukelani Mhlarhi
- Onek Ngobeni

As yet unknown results

- Khutso Mabela
- Dinah Matsebatlela
- Mapula Moreoera
- Joy



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Thought for the Year

I wonder what we could achieve if we loved others as we love ourselves? If we serve others as we want to be served? If we gave to others as we want to be given to?

As we start 2011, what do you want in your life this year? More love, give love! More money? Give money! More peace, give peace to others.

Its simple, you need to give away what you want so that it will come back to you - Louise Kwara

Awards for 2010 Star and National Challenge

For the first time since we started Scouts in 2003 we have our first GOLD Star Award, not one but two Gold Stars to 1st Shiluvane and 1st Burgersdorp Patrols. Congratulations to, WELL DONE, to the Patrol Leaders Beauty Ratema and Ronel Shivuri excellent work ladies.

We also will be awarding 5 SILVER Awards and 14 BRONZE.

What a remarkable effort. Please guys send us your stories about your commu-

nity project so we can put the information in the newsletter. If you send photos we will include them as well.

Congratulations to all the cub packs for participating in the National Cub Challenge in 2010. Well done to you all. We can see from the pictures the children have really enjoyed their time making hats and glasses and learning to be sun smart. Every child and adult who participates will receive a badge to be put

on your uniforms. If you were involved in 2009 challenge that badge can be replaced and now go on your campfire blanket.

Did you know we now have 24 Packs and 58 Troops in Greater Tzaneen? Did you know there are now 2,456 Scouts and Cubs in Greater Tzaneen?

CONGRATULATIONS TO ALL. Lets keep growing and changing to serve others.

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2nd Sedan goes to Wings Over Africa

On the 1st of October 2nd Sedan Scout & Cub group were going to Wings Over Africa to learn about airplanes. It was a journey for us. The troop were wearing uniform to show everyone we are scouts and we are one.

Now 2nd Sedan knows about airplanes and what is happening with airplanes when they are moving. 2nd Sedan Troop encourages other scout troops, those who want to know about airplanes and especially those scouts who want to be pilots must know what is happening before you become a pilot. We now know that if you want to be a pilot you must study hard to have qualifications.



Now 2nd Sedan knows many things about airplanes. Constance Mpuru TS

Living the Scout Life - Khanyisa Mabuza

Scout law 12

We have all made a promise to obey all the parts of the scout law including the 12th law and we have all tried to justify what it really means. In that way we are making it suitable for ourselves? A scout does not fall in love. What does it really mean? Does it mean that you can date but not love the person? Does it mean that you can't date? Does it mean you can date secretly?

I think it means that a scout is responsible enough to see when he or she is doing wrong with in the friendship of a girl and a boy.

My opinion is not justifying anything it makes you think of where you stand or how matured you are.

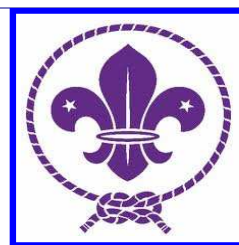
As a teenager it is hard not to like someone but how do you know if you like or love someone. You may think that you are in love but I don't think as teenagers we understand or are matured enough to know what love is!

Nobody should tell you the boundaries as to how far you should go. If you don't know then you are not matured enough to even say you are ready to date.

Dating and falling in love at this age

especially if you are not ready can be really confusing.

This law is not debatable and only you can decide whether you are mature enough to make decisions that come with deciding to have a close relationship with a boy or girl. Khanyisa Mabuza Patrol Leader 1St Shiluvane



Allowing Scouts to change you—Anonymous

As a child I used to be very naughty.

My life style was good as a child as I was also very open to other children. When I reached adolescence things began to change. I started isolating myself I found it hard to join with a group.

When I was in Grade 6 I started dating girls. I also used to be a part of gangsters at school but I want always with them. We used to vandalize people at school. I also used to always carry a murder weapon with me at school. I

used to threaten young ones.

My parents didn't notice all this as I used to not show my bad behavior when I was at home, they kept on saying I was a good boy.

But now that I have joined scouts I'm no longer that kind of person I used to be. My behavior has changed to a good one.

I am now used to joining with different groups and participating in different activities. Now that I am growing up I have learnt to be more responsible. I

don't do those things that I did when I was younger. Scouts has made the difference. A Scout who is 18yrs

This scout has requested his letter to be printed anonymously -Editor



FOOD FOR LIFE Project— A growing success at Thlapedi

Thlapedi Primary School is one of 30 different Packs and Troops around Greater Tzaneen participating in the Food For Life project. In Phase 1 the Cubs & Scouts are taught how to make a door sized vegetable garden, how different vegetable and fruit help build their bodies and how to recycle rubbish to make gardening implements. In Phase 2 they learn about grey water harvesting, crop rotation and composting. In Phase 3 the participants make 2 gardens, one for them to eat and one for them to sell, they will be taught book keeping skills, marketing and working

together as a team in their village so that not everyone plants the same vegetables and to make sure that the vegetables do not all become ready for harvesting at the same time and flood the market which drops the price. The whole time the Scouts will

be earning 3badges for completing each 3 phases.

If you are involved in the Food For Life project please send us stories about what you have learned and why you have enjoyed the project. If your not involved in the project ask you Akela to speak to one of the Field Officers to register for the next time we run the project.



Rounder's makes the world go around

Who is Carol Cheshire? Carol is a lady with a big heart who saw Keep The Dreams196 website and wanted to give something to the children of Greater Tzaneen because she saw what was happening in our area through Scouts.

So, she decided to fund raise and bring 30 Rounder's bats and balls for the troops and packs of Greater Tzaneen.

Unfortunately we do not have enough for everyone yet but we have asked the makers of the bats and balls if they would send us 56 more sets for the other troops and packs. Rounder's is an English game that is a bit like American baseball and ladies softball. Thank you Carol and all your friends

Carol Cheshire came all the way from England with 30 donated Rounder's bats and balls to bless the cubs & scouts of Greater Tzaneen.



Left - Carol is presenting the Rounder's bat and ball to Adroit from 1st Mbhek-wana Scout & Cub Troop. Adroit recently passed matric and will be heading off to study Medicine in 2011

Top - Carol is presenting a bat to Lucy Mhlongo from 2nd Burgersdorp Troop.

Top right - Burgersdorp Scouts showing off their new game.



Mum Rose is going hiking.

Mum Rose is one of our Field Workers so when you see her walking around say hello!



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My name is Catherine Mushwana, I am a Field Officer with Keep The Dream 196. I have got 12 troops that I visit once a month but I also have my own group 1st Burgersdorp, with the help of my two PLTU kids Ronnel Shiburi and Vusimusi Risiva we are doing our best with 26 cubs. Now we are busy with the National Cub Challenge making sunglasses and sun hats with newspaper which did not cost a cent.

WE use to make sunglasses with old wire and 2litre plastic bottles for the eyes. We don't want to do these at our own group only but we like to help other groups because we are not selfish. If you want us to

come help you please you are welcome just to contact me on 0721123135.

In August 2010 we were doing our camping at Ntwanano School for 3 days, it was funny days because we were enjoying so much more especially at camp fire where we were singing and dancing until the next door neighbors came to see what we were doing and I am also happy because the parents are supporting us. The gave us money for food for the

camp so now our children have a chance of succeeding with the Star Awards.

